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1. THE TWENTIETH SESSION OF THE POLISH-SOVIET COMMISSION FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ECONOMIC AND SCIENTIFIC-TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION BEGAN IN WARSAW ON JULY 10 AND WILL CONTINUE THROUGH JULY 15. A LARGE SOVIET DELEGATION IS LED BY VICE PREMIER KONSTATIN KATUSHEV, WHO SPECIALIZES IN COMECON INTEGRATION MATTERS AND FORMERLY HAD SIMILAR DUTIES IN THE CPSU. THE DELEGATION REPORTEDLY ALSO INCLUDES A VICE CHAIRMAN OF GOSPLAN, "MINISTERS AND VICE

MINISTERS AND EXPERTS." VICE PREMIER AND PLANNING COM-MISSION CHAIRMAN TADEUSZ WRZASZCZYK LEADS THE POLISH GROUP.

- 2. ACCORDING TO POLISH PRESS ARTICLES, THE COMMISSION "WILL WORK OUT PROVISIONS FOR A NEW STAGE OF COOPERATION AND INTE-GRATION RESULTING FROM DECISIONS MADE AT THE RECENT MEETINGS OF EDWARD GIEREK AND LEONID BREZHNEV AS WELL AS PIOTR JAROSZEWICZ AND ALEXEI KOSYGIN." THE PRESS ALSO MENTIONS DECISION MADE BY "POLISH AND SOVIET- PARTY-STATE LEASERSHIPS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF EXTENSIVE ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION PROGRAMS THROUGH 1990." SIXTEEN SUBJECTS ARE SAID TO HAVE BEEN SELECTED FOR COOPERATION. THOSE IDENTIFIED ARE ELECTRIC POWER STATIONS, INCLUDING NUCLEAR STATIONS AND THE MAUFACTURE OF EQUIPMENT FOR THEM; SHIPBUILDING; CONSTRUCTION OF SHIPS AND DRILLING PLATFORMS IN POLISH YARDS FOR OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION; EQUIPENT FOR OIL, STEEL, CONSTRUCTION, MOTOR TRANSPORT, RAILWAY, AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD INDUSTRIES; AND JOINT VENTURES IN RAW MATERIAL DEVELOPMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CEMA COMPLEX PROGRAM.
- 3. COMMENT: THE COMMISSION'S 30TH SESSION TAKES PLACE JUST SIX MONTHS AFTER THE 29TH SESSION WHICH MET IN MOSCOW IN DECEMBER 1977. ORDINARILY, THE COMMISSION MEETS ONLY ONCE A YEAR. IN VIEW OF THE UNUSUAL SERIES OF HIGH-LEVEL VISITS CONCERNED WITH ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND INTEGRATION WHICH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TOOK PLACE DURING JUNE (REFTEL B), WE CAN ONLY ASSUME THAT THIS IS AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING CONVENED TO APPROVE SOME DEFINTIE PROGRAMS AND TO SIGN FORMAL, DETAILED, BILATERAL AGREEMENTS. THE REFERENCES TO PARTY-STATE (I.E., PARTY-GOVERNMENT) DECISIONS AND THE PRESENCE OF KATUSHEV, A TOP SOVIET SPECIALIST ON ECONOMIC INTEGRATION, WHO MET WITH WRZASZCZYK DURING THE LATTER'S TEN-DAYS OF CONSULATION ON MOSCOW IN MARCH, FURTHER SUPPORT THIS ASSUMPTION. END COMMENT. SCHAUFELE

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